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Inventor(s): Kostrzewski et al.

Title: *Method of Isomorphic Singular Manifold Projection Still/Video Imagery Compression*

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2001, applicants hereby elect claims 1-4, drawn to a compression method involving the steps of combining a textured image and a modeled image, for prosecution in the above-captioned patent application.

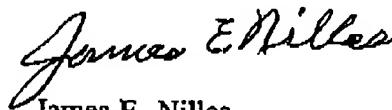
However, this restriction requirement is respectfully traversed. It is believed that the inventions are not separate and distinct to the extent that would require them to be separately examined.

Applicants hereby reserve the right to file a divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment or credit any overpayment of any fees associated with this or any other communication in connection with this application to Deposit Account No. 14-1080.

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